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Dear Youth Basketball Coaches and Coordinators:

Tournament time is almost here! The Waterville Parks and Recreation Department is proud to announce the dates for its 27th annual Youth Basketball Festivals. Boys and girls 5th & 6th grade tournament will be held on **March 7th & 8th**.

Two separate grade levels exist for both the girls and the boys tournaments: Grades 5 and Grade 6. Mixed teams will play at the higher grade level. Games will be played at the following facilities: Waterville Junior and Senior High Schools. Other locations may be added, if necessary.

The festival for 5th and 6th Grade levels will be a round robin format, guaranteeing each team in the tournament a minimum of three games. There will not be advancements to championship games.

These tournaments are not intended for AAU type teams but instead are intended for teams that meet the following criteria:

- ◆ Teams that participate in Parks and Recreation, YMCA, or Youth Basketball Association programs.
- ◆ Teams that gather individuals from a common town or school district.
- ◆ Teams that are organized as a school team or have participated as a school team in the current season. *For those communities where more than one junior high/middle school exists, all players must attend the same school district.

Eligibility and team rosters are at the final discretion of the Waterville Parks and Recreation Department. If you have a question regarding your team's eligibility, please call our office.

You may pass on to your fans that there is a "per day" admission fee of \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, and \$5.00 for a family. Spectators who pay the daily rate may enter any gym on that particular day. In addition, concessions will be sold at each facility.

This tournament is limited to 7 teams in each division. Therefore, it is essential that you **register your team early**. Please return the enclosed entry form along with a \$150 team registration fee to the Waterville Parks and Recreation Department, 6 Wentworth Court, Waterville, ME 04901. Teams will have a spot confirmed once **ALL** entry information is received. The deadline for the 5th & 6th grade boys & girls festival is **February 6, 2015**. Please be aware that a division may reach its capacity before the deadline. **Additional teams may be added to a division if there are spaces available for games.**

Information about our Youth Basketball Festivals can be found on our web site at <http://www.waterville-me.gov/departments/parks>. Next, simply click on Youth Basketball Festivals for all pertinent information.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us by phone at (207) 680-4744 or by email at aames@waterville-me.gov. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. If no one is in the office, please leave a message. Furthermore, if you do not plan on being involved in the tournament this year, please forward the enclosed materials to the appropriate individual(s).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Bobbie-Jo Green
Recreation Coordinator/Tournament Director